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TAGS: PFOR PDIP OVIP IN US  
SUBJECT: PRESS COVERAGE OF US DELEGATION -- FOURTH DAY

REF: NEW DELHI 2175, 2180

1. STATESMAN FRONT PAGED AND PATRIOT PUT INSIDE BRIEF  
STORIES ON MRS. CARTER'S BOMBAY VISIT AND DEPARTURE FOR THE  
US ECONOMIC TIMES INSIDE PAGED ITS OWN CORRESPONDENT  
DISPATCH WITH A FOUR-COLUMN HEADLINE READING: "BOMBAY GREET  
LILLIAN CARTER." ADDRESSING A MEETING AT  
VIKROLI DISPENSARY WHERE SHE WORKED AS A NURSE  
MRS. CARTER REPORTED TO HAVE SAID: "I HAVE NEVER BEEN SO  
HAPPY IN MY LIFE. THIS IS WHERE WE HAVE WANTED TO BE FOR THE LAST SEVEN  
YEARS. I HAVE COME  
DIFFERENTLY THIS TIME. I WAS HAPPIER THE FIRST TIME I CAME  
TO WORK AMONG YOU, THAN I AM NOW, RIDING IN A  
PRESIDENT'S PLANE."

2. HINDUSTAN TIMES BRIEFLY REPORTED ON AN INSIDE PAGE THAT  
FILM ACTRESS NARGIS DUTT CALLED ON MRS.  
CARTER AT RAJ BHAVAN IN BOMBAY.

3. ECONOMIC TIMES IN AN EDITORIAL ON MRS.  
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CARTER'S VISIT OBSERVED THAT PRESIDENT CARTER'S DECISION TO  
SEND HIS MOTHER TO THE FUNERAL "WAS AN  
EXPRESSION OF FEELING FOR INDIA IN ITS HOUR OF SORROW...  
WHAT GIVES MRS. CARTER'S VISIT ADDED POLITICAL  
SIGNIFICANCE IS THE FACT THAT THIS WAS THE FIRST DECISION  
OF THE NEW U.S. PRESIDENT SPECIFICALLY ADDRESSED  
TO INDIA AND IT SUGGESTS A DESIRE ON HIS PART TO MOVE FROM

THE RECENT STIFFNESS OF INDO-US RELATIONS SO FAR AS  
OFFICIAL RELATIONS ARE CONCERNED. MRS. LILLIAN CARTER IS A  
SYMBOL OF THE DO-GOODER AMERICAN WHOSE IDEALISM  
AND EARNESTNESS HAS GIVEN STRENGTH TO CONTACT BETWEEN THE TWO  
COUNTRIES IN THE PAST AT A PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE LEVEL...."  
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